

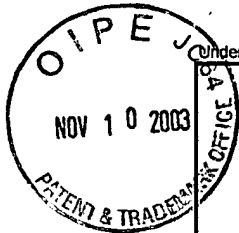
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action dated September 9, 2003 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to this action is due on December 9, 2003. This response is filed within two months of the issuance of the final Office Action (November 9th being a Sunday) and therefore qualifies for expedited review. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Applicant has given careful consideration to the grounds for rejection. The following amendments and remarks are believed to place this application in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested.